Program

Tonight's meeting was a celebration of the new Millennium with spouses cordially invited. President Adrienne started the meeting with a champagne toast. After leading us in "Auld Lang Syne," song leader Frank Butterworth, showing off his creativity, led us in the "Y2K" song:

The experts said that we should dread the bug called Y2K. We spent 3 years to calm our fears but we threw our dough away.

We kept the bug at bay, I guess, and then came New Year's Day. But now the expert's tune has changed, better save for Y3K.

The program focused on where the club would be in 2025. The trio of Jeff Gabrielson, Nancy Hawes and Jim Russell gave its own list of predictions for the club members in that year. Some highlights include Eleanor Brainin's free range turkey farm, Daviero's recording contract, Bill Gabrielson's poker bankruptcy, Jeff Holden's lobster cooker, Dick Kilroy's perfect attendance and Tony Wagner & Dick Yerxa's food trailer. However, the most enthusiastic reaction was for the prediction of Warren Simpson & Bill Stanton leading another junior adults Christmas dinner party. ("For the 20th straight year, they were the two most senior people in attendance and said that they were happy that they could help those young folks enjoy another Christmas.")

Kathy Ray read a list of predictions e-mailed from Wayne Goodrich for the year 2100. Somehow Wayne did not get the year quite right.

<u>New Member</u> - Rick Dobson welcomed our newest member, Matthew McAleney. Matt lives in Portland and is employed by New England Financial Strategies. Welcome aboard, Matt!

<u>Raffle</u> - A gift certificate donated by Bill Daviero was won by our newest member, Matt McAleney.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were donated by Adrienne Murphy, Rick Dobson, Jeff Gabrielson, Paul Butler and Bob Carson.

<u>Perfect Attendance</u> - President Adrienne awarded a perfect attendance pin to Janet McLaughlin for 3 years.

World Peace and Understanding Dinner - District Governor, Mike McGovern, announced that this year's dinner will be held, once again, at the Purpoodock Club on Saturday, February 19. The cost will be \$25.00/ticket. This year's keynote speaker is Past RI Director, Mario Grassi from Switzerland. This promises to be a very interesting evening, so sign up early.

New Member Proposals - The following individuals have been proposed for membership. Jennie Faria, classification Banking; Mortgages employed by GMAC Mortgage Co., South Portland, proposed by Adrienne Murphy and Fred Janson, classification Real Estate; Administration employed by Coldwell Banker Harnden Beecher, Portland, residing in Cape Elizabeth and former member of the club.

Upcoming Club Events

- -January 11 Soup Kitchen
- -January 12 Rotoplast, Tim Byrne
- -January 13 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -January 19 Howard Buckley, Mercy Hospital
- -January 19 Board Meeting, 5:00pm
- -January 24 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -January 27 Poker Night/7:00pm at Mike McGovern's house
- -February 1 Committee 2000 Meeting/7:00pm at CE Town Hall
- -February 16 Joint Meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/time TBA; silent auction to benefit Children's Cancer Program -February 19 - World Peace & Understanding
- Dinner, 6:00pm at the Purpoodock Club

ASSIGNMENTS

	January 12	January 19
January 26		
Song	Carson	Conroy
Danielson		
Invocation	Daviero	Dobson
Dube		
Raffle Gift	Dobson	Dube
Gabrielson		
Conductor	Butterworth	Carson
Conroy		

Happy Birthday to Jeff Gabrielson (1/6) Happy Anniversary to Alec & Sharon Livingston (1/7)

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January 12, 2000

President's Message

Well, it came and went - New Years Day. There were few Y2K problems, no anarchy, power failures or food shortages. We rang in the New Century painlessly. January 1 also brought the second half of the Rotary Year. We accomplished quite a bit the first six months; several successful fund-raisers, a fun Alumni Night, the Great Pond Project, a heartwarming Seniors Holiday Party, Friends Forever, the Public Works Department Luncheon and, of course, the Christmas Tree Sale (to name just a few projects). Looking back, it is hard to believe we, as a club, did so much. We are a very active club, and our success lies in teamwork; everyone pitches in, not just one or two people. Looking forward with the plans the Board of Directors and I have outlined for the balance of the Rotary Year, we will be busy. Couple those plans with the facilitation of the District Conference in May and we will be very busy. Working together well is what we do; we will need to muster all that togetherness to make the District Conference the success I know it will be. After all, the South Portland/Cape Elizabeth Rotary Club is in charge, right?

<u>Raffle</u> - A \$25 gift certificate to Tony Roma's was donated by Rick Dobson and won by Matt McAleney - again.

<u>Membership Raffle</u> - A prize of a Portland Dine Around card was won by Tony Wagner in a raffle for club members who proposed new members in the last quarter.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were enthusiastically given by Dan Davidson, Jack Roberts, Joe Conroy, Jeff Gabrielson, Adrienne Murphy, Nancy Hawes, Frank Gemme, Matt McAleney, David Lourie, Eleanor Brainin, Keith McAlary, Warren Simpson (for his 57th wedding anniversary), Alec Livingston, Bob Danielson and Mike McGovern.

Editor's Note - Jim Russell would like to thank Nancy Hawes for taking notes at this week's meeting.

<u>Soup Kitchen Crew</u> - Joe Conroy would like to thank the following people who helped him man the soup kitchen last Tuesday night: Frank Gemme (a double shift), Alec Livingston, Bill Stanton, Bob Packer, Paul Butler and Peter & Kathy Cotter.

Rotary Information Minute - Mike McGovern gave tonight's RIM on the Counsel of Legislation. Every 3 years, this body meets to act upon resolutions submitted by clubs throughout the world. Any resolutions must be submitted by March 1.

Program - Tonight's program was given by Tim Byrne, PP from the Scarborough Rotary Club. Tim spoke to our club about his trip to Argentina as a Rotoplast photographer. For those that don't know, Rotoplast is a world community service project providing free reconstructive cleft palate and lip surgery for indigent children. To date, over 3000 children have benefited from this worthwhile project. Since 1997, Rotoplast has expanded its original mission to include genetic research and preventive counsel. long-term goal is to find the cause of this anomaly to prevent such a high incidence of occurrence in undeveloped Following the program, President Adrienne announced that the club is donating \$500 to Rotoplast.

Upcoming Club Events

-January 19 - Howard Buckley, Mercy Hospital

-January 19 - Board Meeting, 5:00pm

-January 20 - Cape Coalition/5:30pm/Library

-January 24 - Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS

-January 26 - Regular Mtg/Program TBA -January 27 - Poker/7:00pm at M.

-January 27 - Poker/7:00pm at M. McGovern's

-February 1 - Cmte2000/7:00pm/CE Town Hall

-February 16 - Joint Meeting with Casco Bay

Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/5-7pm/cost \$15.00/

silent auction to benefit Maine Children's Cancer Society

-February 19 - World Peace & Understanding

Dinner, 6:00pm at the Purpoodock Club

ASSIGNMENTS

January 19 January

<u>February 2</u>

Song Conroy Danielson Davidson

Invocation Dobson Dube

Gabrielson

Raffle Gift Dube
Gabrielson Gacetta
Conductor Carson
Conroy Danielson

Happy Birthday to Jack Roberts (1/16) Happy Anniversary to Warren & Velma Simpson (1/16)

New Member Proposal - David Brochu,
Director of Building & Grounds, SP School
Department,
Classification: Education-Facilities proposed
by Jack Roberts

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Community Service Message Rick Dobson, Director

Community Service has been described as the "heartbeat of Rotary." Over the years, our club has focused its community service towards assisting Seniors, helping the hungry and various preservation projects, such as this year's Great Pond Trail Renovations. The following have been recognized many times for their commitment to our Community Service programs, however, I must take this opportunity, once again, to recognize Joe Conroy for his steadfast commitment to help the hungry and all those who participate every month; Warren Simpson and Bill Stanton for their involvement and organizational skills to see that our Senior Christmas party succeeds every year; and finally those who made this year's renovation project on Great Pond Trail a huge success. Thanks to Jack Roberts for organizing the project and Tony Wagner for his leadership with special thanks to all those weekend carpenters. These folks are the heartbeat of SP/CE Rotary Club Service programs.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, five free car washes donated by Phil Dube, was won by Dave Bagdasarian.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were happily donated by Adrienne Murphy, Dave Lourie, Fred Janson, Bob Packer, Dave Bagdasarian, Wayne Goodrich, Tony Wagner and Frank Butterworth.

Rotary Minute - Tonight's Rotary Minute was given by Alec Livingston on the Rotary emblem. The Rotary emblem was officially authorized in 1923. The colors of royal blue and gold were added later. The topic of the emblem is in keeping with RI's theme for January of Rotary awareness. President Adrienne urged all members to make a special effort to wear their Rotary pins to highlight Rotary awareness.

<u>New Member</u> - The newest SP/CE Rotary member is an old friend-Fred Janson. Fred is Manager of the Harnden Beecher real estate office in Portland. He lives in Cape Elizabeth with his wife, Beverly. Welcome back, Fred!

Program - Tonight's program was presented by Howard Buckley, President of Mercy Hospital. Howard gave a sobering appraisal of the current healthcare system. Basically, he said, there is no system, but a fragmented, overloaded and, in many ineffective hodgepodge of healthcare plans which creates confusion for consumers and providers alike. Currently, he said, 44 million people in this country have no healthcare insurance. If this number is shockingly high in good times, he said, it is hard to imagine how bad things will get if the economy slows down. On a personal note, Howard related that running Mercy Hospital is now almost exclusively business proposition, not a healthcare proposition with an expense budget approaching \$100 million. Thank you Bob Packer for inviting Howard back.

Upcoming Club Events

- -January 24 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -January 26 Portland Sea Dogs (Eleanor Brainin, Program Chair)
- -January 27 Poker/7:00pm at M. McGovern's
- -February 1 Cmte2000/7:00pm/CE TownHall
- -February 2 -Program TBA

(Tony Wagner, Program Chair)

- -February 3 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -February 7 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -February 9 Program TBA

(Dick Xerxa, Program Chair)

- -February 16 Joint Meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/5-7pm/cost \$15.00/ silent auction to benefit Maine Children's Cancer Society
- -February 19 World Peace & Understanding Dinner, 6:00pm at the Purpoodock Club -February 23 - No Meeting

ASSIGNMENTS 1999-2000

	January 26	February 2
February 9		
Song	Danielson	Davidson
Daviero		
Invocation	Dube	
Gabrielson	Gacetta	
Raffle Gift	Gabrielson	Gacetta
Gemme		
Conductor	Conroy	Danielson
Davidson		

Membership Proposal: Classification (Journalism-Sports) by Dan Gacetta Eric Conrad, Sports Editor, Portland Newspapers, resident of Cape Elizabeth ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT Carlo Ravizza, Rotary Club of Milano-Sud-Ovest, Italy

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President's Message

In the February issue of The Rotarian, there is an interesting interview with RI President, Carlo Ravizza. In this interview, President Ravizza discusses some of the challenges Rotary faces coming into this next century. Ravizza reiterated the need for change in the Rotary organization, keeping Rotary in sync with the changes our society has undergone. The upcoming Council on Legislation to be held in 2001 gives an opportunity to enact some of these changes. There will also be new methods of voting to give greater voice to larger districts, as well as electronic voting to reduce representatives having an influence over others. The interview was interesting in presenting the "business" end of our organization. I then turned to the numerous articles about what Rotarians around the world are undertaking; a retired physician from Illinois who is saving lives as a Rotary volunteer in the Amazon jungle; Filipino Rotarians donating to victims of massive flooding near Manila where 2,000 families benefited from their effort; a San Diego Rotary Club that builds houses for indigent families in Rotary is a very large, sometimes Tijuana. cumbersome organization, but look at what is accomplished, everywhere!!

<u>Raffle</u> - A \$25.00 gift certificate to Dyer's Flower Shop, donated by Jeff Gabrielson, was won by Jeff Gabrielson. (Happy Valentines Day, Linda!)

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were given tonight by Dan Davidson, Jeff Gabrielson, Eleanor Brainin, Frank Gemme, Mike McGovern, Marianne Goff and Adrienne Murphy.

Rotary Minute - Tonight's Rotary Minute was given by Dave Bagdasarian, featuring a number of Rotary firsts. The first meeting was February 23, 1905; the first club outside the U.S. was established in Winnipeg in 1910; the first club outside North America began in Dublin, Ireland in 1911; and the first non-English speaking club was started in Hayanna Cuba in 1916.

<u>Program</u> - Tonight's program, the first sign of Spring, was the Portland Sea Dogs. The speakers were Andy Young, Director of Broadcasting and Heath Hunnicut, prospective third baseman. Heath was a 4th round draft pick for the Florida Marlins in 1998. The outlook for this year's team is very positive - improved power, better defense and timely pitching; so get your tickets early. Thank you Andy and Heath for providing a very interesting and entertaining program.

Upcoming Club Events

-February 1 - Cmte2000/7:00pm/CE TownHall

-February 2 -Central Maine Power

(Tony Wagner, Program Chair)

-February 3 - Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS

-February 7 - Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS

-February 9 - *Program TBA*

(Dick Xerxa, Program Chair)

-February 16 - Joint Meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/5-7pm/cost \$15.00/ silent auction to benefit Maine Children's Cancer Society

-February 17 - Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS

-February 19 - World Peace & Understanding Dinner at the Purpoodock Club

-February 23 - Meeting replaced by 2/19 dinner

-March 1 - Program TBA

(Dave Bagdasarian, Program Chair)

-March 8 - Stan Tenpenny, Dominican Trip (Eleanor Brainin, Program Chair)

-March 15 - Joint Meeting with Scarborough Rotary Club at Purpoodock; Doctors Without Borders (Paul Butler, Program Chair)

-March 22 - Program TBA

(Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)

-March 29 - Program TBA

(Bob Carson, Program Chair)

In Case You're Looking for Dan Davidson - In addition to his consulting business and teaching responsibilities, Dan has also been coerced into filling a full-time position for 6 months. Through June, he is working in the USM Media Relations Office, where he can be reached during the day at 780-4200 or DAVIDSON@USM.MAINE.EDU.

	February 2	February 9
February 16		
Song	Carson	Daviero
TBA		
Invocation	Gabrielson	Gacetta
TBA		
Raffle Gift	Gacetta	Gemme
TBA		
Conductor	Danielson	Davidson
TBA		

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Program

Our program tonight was Mark Ishkanian, Communications Director, of Central Maine Power. His topic was changes in the electricity business and what to expect. Beginning next month, CMP will be billing customers for transmission costs of electricity. In addition, CMP will be billing you on behalf of another company for the actual production costs of the electricity. For most people, this will be a standard offer of service which is going to be 4.1 cents/kilowatt hour. Larger businesses can, and will need to, shop around amongst a half dozen or so electricity suppliers for a better rate.

This competition has grown out of a 1997 law passed by the Maine Legislature, which mandated that CMP was to sell their production assets (i.e., their power plants) and get out of the power producing business. The results of this in the short term will be an approximate 10% reduction in rates. In the long run, more competition should theoretically lower prices even more.

Thank you to Tony Wagner for providing such an informative and timely speaker.

<u>New Member</u> - Our newest member is Jenny Farris from Portland. Jenny works for GMAC in South Portland. Her classification is Banking/Mortgages. Welcome to our club, Jenny!

Get Well, Dan - President Adrienne announced that one of our charter members, Dan Gacetta is ill in the hospital. Dan is in Room 524 of Mercy Hospital and would surely appreciate a card or quick note to brighten his day.

<u>Raffle</u> - Dan Gacetta provided a raffle gift of two dinner meals at the Purpoodock which was won by Jim Russell.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were given tonight by Nancy Hawes, Adrienne Murphy, Paul Butler, Warren Simpson, Dave Lourie, Eleanor Brainin, Frank Gemme, Kathy Ray, Jack Kennealy and Jim Russell. **Rotary Minute** - Tonight's Minute was given by Hawes, highlighting Nancy the International theme for the month of February. This month's theme is World Understanding. It is fitting that February 23 is designated as World Peace and Understanding Day, as it is the 95th anniversary of the founding of Rotary. One of the most important programs in Rotary is the Matching Grant program, and on November 17, 1999 the 10,000 matching grant was approved. Since the program's inception in 1964, over \$70 million in matching grants have been given. Thanks, Nancy.

<u>Special Thanks</u> - As you know, last month's RI theme was Rotary Awareness. In keeping with this theme, President Adrienne made special mention of two articles published in the Cape Courier and the South Portland Sentinel, submitted by our Publicity Chair, Dan Davidson. Adrienne thanked Dan for his excellent efforts at promoting an awareness of what Rotary does in the community. Good job, Dan!

World Peace and Understanding Dinner - If you are going to attend the dinner on February 19, Bob Carson would appreciate you bringing a check of \$25.00 per person to next Wednesday's meeting. This will help simplify things the night of the dinner.

Upcoming Club Events

- -February 7 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -February 8 Soup Kitchen (dessert is cupcakes without nuts)
- -February 9 Friends of St. Lawrence Church D. Nice & Bill Milliken (D.Yerxa/ProgChair)
- -February 16 Joint Meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/5-7pm/cost \$15.00/ silent auction to benefit Maine Children's Cancer Society
- -February 17 Basketball/7:30pm at CEMS
- -February 19 World Peace & Understanding Dinner at the Purpoodock Club/cost \$25.00pp
- -February 23 Meeting replaced by 2/19 dinner
- -March 1 Program TBA
- (Dave Bagdasarian, Program Chair)

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ASSIGNMENTS

	February 9	February 16	
February 23 Song	Daviero	TBA	
TBA Invocation	Gacetta	TBA	
TBA Raffle Gift	Gemme	TBA	
TBA			
Conductor TBA	Davidson	TBA	

New Member Proposal: Joyce Kazilonis of Scarborough employed by Wright Express, SP Classification: Petroleum Distribution-Gasoline, proposed by Jack Roberts

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International Service Highlights: Part I

by Janet McLaughlin, Director of I.S.

In my capacity as the club's director of international service, President Adrienne has asked me to provide some information relative to World Understanding Month. Given that the topic is so encompassing - since Rotary truly covers the world - I'm choosing to limit this to 2 programs our club generously supports: Friends Forever and Group Study Exchange. Through these 2 programs, many of us have had an opportunity to meet and interact with people from a host of countries, learning a bit about their culture and them as people. What I repeatedly see is that when we come away from these encounters, we realize how much we have in common - and that's what it's all about! We gain understanding at the personal level one experience and one person at a time.

For the past 2 years, our club has helped sponsor 10 visiting Northern Ireland teenagers who are participating in a year-long Friends Forever program. While they're working hard to get to know each other as peers, rather than by their religious label, we've been able to see them as fairly normal teenagers. It's this normalcy that strikes us. They, in turn, are cautiously delighted that we treat them as such. Coming from a country where you sometimes have to be aware of what parts of community you do and don't go into based on your religion. They marvel at how accessible everything is here.

Were you able to sit and talk with them at a club meeting or to have them in your home for an evening? Did you dare reflect back and perhaps see a wee bit of yourself in one of these teens? Did their posture or mannerisms remind you of your children as teens? If you hadn't heard their Irish brogue, would you have thought they were American teens? Do you understand better what they're dealing with at home?

What do you remember about the Friends Forever teens you've met? For me, it's certainly not their religion; it's their smiles, their love of American clothes, their willingness to help, their stories about their families, their prowess on the soccer field, their usual boy-girl teenage talk - so many of the same things I remember about my children and yours as teens.

<u>Rotary Minute</u> - Dave Lourie gave tonight's Minute regarding World Understanding Month. The topic was Carl P. Miller Discovery Grants. These are grants designed to stimulate growth in the matching grant programs. These discovery grants allow clubs and districts to travel to one another and get together for matching grant programs. They are awarded twice a year in August and February. Thank you, David.

<u>Raffle</u> - A raffle prize of two dinners to Purpoodock, given by Frank Gemme, was won by Kathy Ray/Wayne Goodrich.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were given tonight by Adrienne Murphy, Dan Davidson, Dave Lourie, Kathy Ray, Nancy Hawes and Bob Danielson.

<u>Get Well, Dan</u> - President Adrienne announced Dan Gacetta is now out of the hospital and is recovering at home. I'm sure he would appreciate a quick card or not to brighten his day.

World Peace and Understanding Dinner - If you are planning to attend the dinner on February 19, please contact Bob Carson as soon as possible so that there will be adequate seating available. The cost is \$25.00 per person. A final reminder that this meeting replaces the regular meeting on February 23.

Program - Dick Xerxa introduced tonight's speakers Diedre Nice and Bill Milliken from the Friends of St. Lawrence Church. The St. Lawrence Church was purchased by Diedre in 1993 with the idea of being a community center for the arts, as well as being a non-profit organization. The name has been changed to the St. Lawrence Arts and Community Center to reflect the new mission of the building. Currently the Friends of St. Lawrence are in the middle of a \$1 million fund raising and restoration project for the building. To date, approximately \$500,000 has been raised and one-half of the church will be ready sometime this Spring to host events. The building, upon completion, will provide an amphitheater for approximately 450 people as well as rentals for various non-profit organizations and local artist workshops. Thank you, Dick, for providing such an interesting program.

Upcoming Club Events

- -February 15 Cmte2000 Mtg/7:00pm/CE Town Hall
- -February 16 Joint Meeting with Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's/5-7pm/cost \$15.00/silent auction to benefit Maine Children's Cancer Society
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- -March 2 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
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- -March 15 Joint Meeting with Scarborough Rotary Club at Purpoodock (Paul Butler, Program Chair)
- -March 22 *Program TBA* (F. Butterworth, Prog.Chair)
- -March 29 Program TBA (Bob Carson, Prog. Chair)

March 1			Carlo Ravizza, Rotary Club of
Song	TBA	TBA	Milano-Sud-Ovest, Italy
Dobson			
Invocation	TBA	TBA	DISTRICT 7780 GOVERNOR
Gemme			Michael K. McGovern, Rotary Club of South
Raffle Gift	TBA	TBA	Portland/Cape Elizabeth, Maine
Giftos			
Conductor	TBA	TBA	
Daviero			ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH

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International Service Highlights: Part II

by Janet McLaughlin, Director of I.S.

My first formal introduction to Rotary was as a participant in the Group Study Exchange (GSE) program. As a non-Rotarian, I was chosen as a member of a 5-person team to spend one month in Argentina in 1996. Even though my Spanish was extremely limited, I continually marveled at how well we could communicate and how much we had in common. I vividly remember sitting one morning with an Argentine grandmother, looking through my picture book from home. As I showed her my family members and we laughed at the Spanish captions, I delightedly realized that we were communicating on a very basic, very human level. Through sign language, pointing and a genuine desire to learn about each other, we shared information about our families and ourselves. What a powerful connection!

A number of our club members have been fortunate to host members of GSE teams from other countries. When one family agreed to be hosts last year, they asked, "What do we do with her?" "Be yourselves. Let her see how we really live and what we're really like." After those few days last spring, Debbie and Frank Butterworth have an open invitation for GSE folks at their home. It's the positive attitude, the willingness to take what feels like a bit of a risk and the ability to laugh that come through so well and produce such strong bonds and wonderful memories. imbedded in those memories so often is - "Wow, they're so much like us." What makes this a memorable experience is that we don't have to do anything "special."

And what do you remember about people you've met from the GSE teams? The brand of beer they liked, how rigid they seemed, how easily they laughed, how poised they were, how hard it was for them to get up in the morning - and the list goes on. I venture it's very close to the list we can come up with about our own club members.

Program - Tonight's program was a Silent Auction and Wine Tasting extravaganza hosted by the Casco Bay Sunrise Club to benefit the Maine Childrens' Cancer Program. The event was very well attended with over 200 people including those from the Casco Bay Sunrise, SP/CE, Windham and Scarborough Rotary Clubs. Of the five raffles, Janet McLaughlin won a \$50 gift certificate to Joe's Boathouse and Peter Cotter won a snowboard. As he had left early, our own District Governor, Mike McGovern, claimed the board for Peter. The DG was subsequently the butt of many jokes about what to do with the board, which was tall and bulky to carry around. Unfortunately, none of our own members were successful in winning any of the auction items, however, the event was a huge success, raising over \$14,000 for Maine Children who are battling with cancer. All in all, it was a very enjoyable evening.

<u>New Member Proposal</u> - John Eliassen, DMD proposed by Adrienne Murphy. Dr. Eliassen's classification is Dentistry, family and he resides in Cape Elizabeth.

Upcoming Club Events

- -February 23 Meeting replaced by 2/19 dinner
- -February 29-Cmte 2000/7:00pm/CE TownHall
- -March 1 *Board Meeting*/5:00pm
- -March 1 Program TBA
- (D. Bagdasarian, Program Chair)
- -March 2 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 8 Stan Tenpenney
- (E.Brainin, Program Chair)
- -March 9 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 14 Soup Kitchen/5:30-7:00pm
- -March 15 Joint Mtg with Scarborough Rotary Club/Purpoodock (P. Butler, Program Chair)
- -March 20 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 22 Program TBA
- (Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)
- -March 29 Program TBA
- (Bob Carson, Prog. Chair)
- -March 30 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS

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	February 23	March 1	ROTARY INTERNATI
March 8			Carlo Ravizza, I
Song	No	Dobson	Milano-Sud-C
Dube			
Invocation	Meeting	Gemme	DISTRICT 7780
Giftos			Michael K. McGovern,
Raffle Gift		Giftos	Portland/Cape El
Goff			
Conductor		Daviero	
Dobson			ROTARY CLUI

Happy Birthday Wishes to Sam Giftos (2/20) and David Lourie (2/21)

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President's Message

I have had occasion recently to attend several local Rotary Club meetings. As a newer member, I often failed to make up missed meetings. I brought a co-worker with me, who is a fairly new member of the Scarborough Club. She shared with me that she had never made up because she was afraid she would feel awkward. We were made to feel extremely welcome and any number of people made it a point to seat themselves with us. One gentleman told us that he and his wife make up meetings even when traveling (he is in the Ogunquit club; she a member of the York club). He said one of his memories of makeups was in England; after the invocation everyone had a separate little glass which each used to toast the Queen. At each club meeting I attended, things were similar to how things are done at ours, but were also different. Each club seemed to have its own personality. The similarities and differences showed me how consistent Rotary is, and how diverse. My co-worker commented on our way back to work at what a great time she had. I view makeups as a great opportunity to meet new friends. If you haven't already - try it, you might like it!

Rotary Minute - Tonight's RI minute was given by Bob Danielson on the subject of Rotaract. Rotaract is a group of young men and women, aged 18-30, who are affiliated with a host Rotary club to do service projects. To date, there are approximately 139,000 Rotaract members worldwide in some 6,000 clubs. Thank you, Bob.

<u>Raffle</u> - Our raffle conductor tonight was Bill Daviero. The prize of two books, donated by CMP, was won by Frank Gemme.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were gladly given by Warren Simpson, Frank Butterworth, Adrienne Murphy, Dan Davidson, Rick Dobson, Jack Kennealy, Dave Lourie and Alec Livingston donated \$5 via Bob Danielson with apologies to Kevin Kisamore (you had to be there).

<u>Upcoming Spouses Night</u> - March 15 will be a Spouses Night at the Purpoodock Club. A sign up sheet will be passed around at the March 8 meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting next week, please let Adrienne know if you and your spouse will be attending on the 15th.

<u>Help Wanted</u>! - Janet McLaughlin is looking for host families for the incoming GSE team for the dates of May 26-30. This is an excellent opportunity to meet someone from a different country and broaden your scope of the world.

<u>Family Fun Day Committee</u> - Frank Butterworth is looking for people to work on the committee to plan the Family Fun Day held in June.

Program - Tonight's program was given by Paul Hunt, Water Resources Manager for the Portland Water District. Paul's job is monitoring the water quality in Sebago Lake. The good news is that Sebago Lake is very, very clean. The lake, which is 50 square miles and 316 feet deep, is one of only a very few in the country that does not need to be filtered before you drink it. In addition to water quality monitoring, the District also has an education program to inform people about the lake and is actively purchasing properties near the intake point on Sebago Lake. Thank you to Dave Bagdasarian for bringing in such an interesting speaker.

Upcoming Club Events

- -March 7 Cmte 2000/7:00pm/Cape Town Hall
- -March 8 Stan Tenpenny (E.Brainin/ProgCh)
- -March 9 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 14 Soup Kitchen/5:30-7:00 pm
- -March 15 Joint Mtg with Scarborough

 $Rotary\ Club/Purpoodock/Doctors\ Without$

Borders (Paul Butler, Program Chair)

- -March 20 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 22 Marc Mutty, Classification Talk

(Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)

- -March 29 Program TBA
- (Bob Carson, Program Chair)
- -March 30 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS

<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u> 1999-2000

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Invocation	Giftos	Goff
Goodrich		
Raffle Gift	Goff	Goodrich
Hawes		
Conductor	Dobson	Dube
Faria		

Happy Birthday Wishes to Dick Yerxa (3/5)

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President's Message

We hear a lot about the **Rotary Foundation**, particularly with regard to donating money to it. The Rotary Foundation has always seemed like this sort of enormous far away entity that did not have too much connection to our Rotary Club meetings and routine. Listening to Stan Tenpenney this evening makes the Rotary Foundation much more alive and invaluable.

Stan is a Portland firefighter who was chosen as a Group Study Exchange (GSE) team member to Argentina several years ago. After traveling through Argentina with a Rotary team, Stan joined the Casco Bay Sunrise Club. As you also know, Stan made the acquaintance of another firefighter from the Dominican Republic while hosting him as an inbound GSE Team member from the Dominican Republic. The rest is history. Without the support of funding from the Rotary Foundation, the amazing story we heard tonight would never have happened. The dollars that are donated to the Foundation make these stories occur all love the world. What a wonderful cause So diverse, so color-blind, so to donate to! international...Think about Stan Tenpenney's story the next time you consider donating to a cause. And remember, the majority of our Club members are Sustaining Members (with \$100 already on record at the Rotary Foundation on their behalf). Our Club has matching credits available to match donations by our club members to the Foundation. See me if you are interested or would like more information. It is a great cause!

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were graciously given tonight by Bob Packer, Kathy Ray, Bob Carson (a sad dollar for poor attendance (70%) last month), Fred Janson, Jeff Gabrielson, and Paul Butler.

Mike McGovern also gave thanks for all the work being done by Club members.

Rotary Minute - Mike McGovern spoke tonight about "making up." Enclosed please find a listing of several local meetings.

Spouses Night - Don't forget next week is a Spouses Night at the Purpoodock Club. In addition, this is a joint meeting with the Scarborough Club. If you and your spouse plan on attending, please contact Adrienne, if you have not already signed up, so that she may get an accurate head count.

Program - Tonight's program was by Stan Tenpenney, a Portland firefighter who went to the Dominican Republic in 1999 to teach fire safety. Stan teaches "learn not to burn" to the children, teaching techniques such as "drop and roll" if they catch on fire. These techniques and safety tips such as avoiding hot stoves, irons and boiling water are all put to song to help the children remember. Stan, who is very passionate about this program, has also donated enough money to Rotary International to become a Paul Harris Fellow. Thank you, Stan, for a wonderful program.

Upcoming Club Event

- -March 14 Soup Kitchen/5:30-7:00pm
- -March 14 Cmte2000 Mtg/7pm/CE TownHall
- -March 15 Joint Spouses Night Meeting with Scarborough Rotary Club at Purpoodock/ Doctors Without Borders (P.Butler/ProgCh)
- -March 20 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 22 Marc Mutty, Classification Talk (Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)
- -March 25 Bowl-A-Thon
- -March 26 New & Prospective Member Night at Cape Community Center
- -March 29-Dave Snyder/Habitat for Humanity (Bob Carson, Program Chair)
- -April 5 Gus Carlson/Op Sails ME (Program Chair, Eleanor Brainin)
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Happy Birthday Wishes to Dan Mooers (3/11) and Kathy Ray (3/12)

New Member Proposals (by Adrienne Murphy)

-Kendrick Fischer, CEO, STEAG HAMA TECH, Classification: Manufacturing/Electronics -Annette Beuth, Marketing & Communications Director for Public and Investor Relations, STEAG HAMA TECH,

Classification: Public Relations/Electronics

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Doctors Without Borders - Paul Butler introduced David Kuhns, a physicians assistant who spent six months in Somalia and six months in Afghanistan working for Doctors Without Borders. David gave a very moving slide presentation of the conditions under which they worked and the people they cared for. conditions are primitive and challenging. One of the interesting things about this type of work is the culture and customs that you encounter in different countries. For instance, in Somalia, you were not allowed to touch or take a picture of an Islamic woman. In Afghanistan, the makeup worn by both men and women contains lead which can lead to poisoning over a prolonged period of time. Mr. Kuhns also related that while in Somalia he had a gun pointed to his head and was briefly kidnapped. Having said all that, he would go back in a minute once his graduate work is completed. Thank you Paul for providing a very interesting program.

Happy Dollars - John Murphy, President of the Scarborough Rotary Club, voiced a District-wide request that Happy Dollars given this week be donated to help the refugees in Mozambique. Dollars overflowed from the SP/CE Rotary members: Rick Dobson, Joe Conroy, Bob Packer, Jeff Holden, Peter Cotter, Bob Carson, Paul Butler, Dan Mooers, Adrienne Murphy, Phil Dube, Jim Russell, Frank Butterworth, Bill Stanton, Frank Gemme, Tony Wagner, Kathy Ray, Wayne Goodrich, Janet McLaughlin, Bill Daviero and Jeff Gabrielson. John Perry of the Portland Rotary Club happily gave a dollar for the trip he and his wife are leaving on Friday to adopt an 8-month old Chinese girl. Several members of the visiting Scarborough club donated dollars also.

<u>Raffle</u> - A \$30 Snow Squall gift certificate, donated by Wayne Goodrich, was won by Dick Murphy of the Scarborough Rotary Club.

Bowl-A-Thon - On Saturday, March 25, from 11:00am-3:00pm at Yankee Lanes in Portland, our club will be hosting our 5th annual Rotary bowling classic. Bill Daviero is looking for corporate and individual sponsorships ranging from \$25 per individual to \$250 per company. Please call Bill for more information.

New & Prospective Member Night - On Sunday, March 26 at 6:30pm at the Cape Community Center, our club will be holding an orientation for new and prospective members. Anyone that has a new or prospective member is encouraged to attend. Also, older members are urged to come to share their experiences and expectations of being a Rotary member. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

<u>District Conference Update</u> - With only two months to go until the District Conference, we are now in the process of finalizing our plans. It is at this point that we are asking all the members of our club and their spouses, if available, to participate in some way during the Conference. If you can help and have not previously been asked to do so, please contact Adrienne or Dan Mooers who will assign you to a committee. At this point, several openings are available for registration, sergeant-at-arms, greeters, aides, etc.

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- -March 20 Basketball/7:30pm/CEMS
- -March 22 Marc Mutty, Classification Talk (Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)
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Yankee Lanes, Portland

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Happy Birthday Wishes to Nancy Hawes (3/17), Mike McGovern (3/17) and Paul Butler (3/18)

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<u>President's Message</u> - New members are the lifeblood of any organization. With this thought in mind, it was particularly pleasurable to be your President tonight. The club inducted three new members into our organization who all bring a strong sense of service above self to the table. These new members are Ed Ingraham, John Eliassen and Annette Beuth.

Ed resides in Cape Elizabeth with his wife, Marlene and daughters Meg, Stephanie and Michelle. Ed works for AquaWave. John is a dentist practicing in Gray and residing in Cape Elizabeth with his wife, Pam and children Teha, Taj and Todd. Annette lives in Cape Elizabeth with her daughter Alexa. She is the Communications Director for Steag-Hamatech.

Please make an effort to introduce yourself at the next few meetings and make them feel welcome in our club.

Rotary International Minute - Tonight's RI minute was given by Eleanor Brainin on club singing. Club signing originated with Harry Ruggles, the 5th member of the first Rotary club who enjoyed standing on a chair at meetings and leading his fellow Rotarians in song. The tradition soon spread to other clubs who enjoy the fellowship of the activity.

Mozambique Update - To date, our District has raised over \$4000 to help victims of flooding in this region. Last week our club and the Scarborough club raised over \$100 with our happy dollar donations for this worthwhile cause. Thank you for your support.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Tonight's dollars were given by Adrienne Murphy, Frank Butterworth, Fred Janson, Jack Roberts, Eleanor Brainin, Bob Danielson, Mariann Goff, Kathy Ray, Mike McGovern, Wayne Goodrich and prospective member, Jeff Bump.

<u>Raffle</u> - A Snow Squall gift certificate donated by Nancy Hawes was won by President Adrienne.

New & Prospective Member Night - On Sunday, March 26 at 6:30pm at the Cape Community Center, our club will be holding an orientation for new and prospective members. Anyone that has a new or prospective member is encouraged to attend. Also, older members are urged to come to share their experiences and expectations of being a Rotary member. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

<u>Program</u> - Tonight the club enjoyed a classification talk given by Marc Mutty. Marc's title is Director of the Office of Public Affairs for the Diocese of Greater Portland. In this role, Marc is the public persona of the Catholic Church in the state of Maine. He is also responsible for public policy issues on which the church has an interest such as welfare reform, assisted suicide and health care reform. Of late, Marc has had to deal with issues of sexuality in the clergy, which can be very difficult.

Marc has worked in this capacity for the past 21 years and finds the job both very challenging as well as interesting. Thank you, Marc, for a very enlightening talk.

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- -April 26 (Bob Danielson, Program Chair)

ASSIGNMENTS

April 5
Song
Goff
Goodrich
Invocation
Hawes
Hobbs
Raffle Gift
Dick Holden
J. Holden

Conductor Goff Goodrich Hawes

Happy Birthday Wishes to Marc Mutty (3/23)

New Member Proposals: Jeff
Bump/Classification: Contractor/Consultant
proposed by W. Goodrich
Andrew Clement/Classification:
Instrumentation (additional Active) proposed
by T. Wagner

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District Conference Update

With March fading fast and April upon us, Committee 2000 decided it would be a good idea to update the membership on where we are with the District Conference. Things are proceeding well and the pace is really starting to pick up. We learned at our last meeting that MBNA has come on board as a Corporate sponsor for the Thursday night reception and dinner, allowing us to book Schooner Fare for the evening entertainment.

If you have not been asked to be on a committee and would like to be involved, see Dan Mooers or Adrienne Murphy. We are going to need a lot of people to help man the registration table and act as greeters, speaker aides and sergeant-at-arms. If you have an interest in these positions, see Paul Butler, Joe Conroy or Jim Russell.

The commemorative book for the conference is scheduled to go to the printer on April 15. It is not too late to take an ad out in the book. The rates are \$75 per quarter page, \$125 per half-page and \$200 for a full page. This is a great opportunity for you to congratulate Mike McGovern for a year's work well done. Contact Jeff Gabrielson or Tony Wagner if you're interested in an advertisement.

Rotary International Minute - The president elect training seminar was the topic of tonight's minute (otherwise known as PETS). PETS is a 2-3 day leadership and motivational training session designed to prepare the future club presidents in the district. Many PETS sessions, like the one that Kathy Ray will be attending this week, are multi-district events.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were given tonight by Jack Roberts, Adrienne Murphy, Keith McAlary, Dan Davidson, Jeff Gabrielson, Jeff Bump, Wayne Goodrich and Bob Carson.

Raffle - Two Rotary dinners, donated by Jeff Hobbs, were won by Jack Roberts in the raffle conducted by Warren Simpson.

Bowl-A-Thon - Bill Daviero reports that the Bowl-A-Thon on March 25 went extremely well. Thirty-nine bowlers from our club gathered at Yankee Lanes and raised approximately \$3,000 for Youth Alternatives. In addition, we were able to take the best team trophy back from the Yarmouth Club. More importantly, a good time was had by all for a good cause. Thank you, Bill, for all your efforts.

<u>New Members</u> - Tonight we welcome two new members into our club: Hendrik Fischer and Jeff Bump both from Cape Elizabeth. Please go out of your way and make these new members feel welcome into our club.

Program - Our speaker tonight was Dave Snyder, Director of Greater Portland Habitat for Humanity. The GP Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1985. To date, they have built 26 houses in the greater Portland area. Their goal for 2000 is to build 4 new houses. Nationally, Habitat for Humanity was founded in 1976 and in September of this year will build their 100,000 home. Habitat is not a charity. It is a partnership that provides an opportunity for people living in substandard housing to better themselves. They call it a "hand up." Internationally, the goal of Habitat for Humanity is the elimination of substandard housing from the planet. Thank you, David, for an inspirational and interesting talk.

Upcoming Club Event

- -April 5 Gus Carlson/Op Sails ME (Program Chair, Eleanor Brainin)
- -April 11 Cmte2000 Mtg/7pm/CE Town Hall
- -April 11- Soup Kitchen/6pm
- -April 12-Ron Hersom/Maine Speakout Project (Adrienne Murphy, Program Chair)
- -April 12 District Assembly/8am/Yokem's
- -April 19 (Joe Conroy, Program Chair)
- -April 26 (Bob Danielson, Program Chair)
- -May 18-21 District Conference

April 5 April 19 April 12 Song Goff Goodrich Hawes Invocation Hobbs D. Holden J. Holden Raffle Gift Dick Holden J. Holden Ingraham Conductor Goodrich Hawes **Hobbs**

Happy Birthday Wishes to Bob & Peggy Packer (4/1/67) and Jack & Shari Roberts (4/3/71)

New Member Proposals

Wayne Johnson; Classification:
Banking/Residential Mortgage proposed by
Bill Daviero
Fawn Dunphy; Classification:
Medicine/Chiropractic proposed by Dan
Mooers

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